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SUBJ: REPATRIATION OF HAITIAN NATIONALS

1. REV. EDWIN WEBSTER, DEAN OF CATHEDRAL OF ST. LUKE, AND RABBI REISS, DIRECTOR OF JEWISH WELFARE BOARD (BOTH OF BALBOA), APPROACHED PCC ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE SECRETARY ON MATTER OF HAITIAN REFUGEES IN CANAL ZONE. SPEAKING ON OWN BEHALF AND THAT OF LOCAL CHAPTER OF NAACP AND ACKNOWLEDGING HAITIAN NATIONALS NOT SEEKING DEPART FROM THEIR HOMELAND FOR POLITICAL REASONS, THEY NEVERTHELESS EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT, IF FORCIBLY REPATRIATED, HAITIAN NATIONALS MIGHT BE SUBJECT TO SOME FORM OF PUNITIVE ACTION ON PART OF HAITIAN GOVERNMENT. WEBSTER AND REISS THOUGHT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO OBTAIN ASSURANCES FROM UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, OR SOME SUCH ENTITY, THAT RETURNING HAITIANS WILL BE SAFE.

2.. PAN CANAL HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY TO OBTAIN FROM AMEMBASSY PORT AU PRINCE AN OPINION OF WHAT TREATMENT SUBJECT HAITIAN NATIONALS MAY RECEIVE AT HANDS OF GOH
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